

# That rash or sore might be **SYPHILIS**

Syphilis and other STDs are on the rise in Shasta County  
**GET THE FACTS. GET TESTED. GET CURED.**



**Visit your healthcare provider or call:**

- Shasta County Public Health (530) 225-5591
- Planned Parenthood (530) 351-7100
- Shasta Community Health Center (530) 246-5710
- Women's Health Specialist (530) 221-0193



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## Syphilis Symptoms

- A painful or painless sore or sores that may appear inside or near the mouth, genitals or anal areas
- Swollen lymph nodes
- A rash that may appear on one or more parts of the body
- Syphilis symptoms may appear and disappear

## Test Today (recommendations)

- If experiencing signs or symptoms
- If being tested for other STDs
- If sexually active (test every 6-12 months)
- If engaging in unprotected sex (test every six months)
- If you have multiple sex partners (test every six months)
- If you are a man having sex with other men (test every 3-6 months)
- If you plan to get pregnant in the future

## Syphilis in Women

- If a woman is infected with syphilis while pregnant, it can lead to birth defects, miscarriage, premature birth or stillbirth
- **Good News:** Syphilis can be treated and cured even during pregnancy with a shot of antibiotics
- Prenatal care is very important to keep you and your baby healthy
- You should be tested for syphilis 3 times during your pregnancy: at your first prenatal appointment, early in the 3rd trimester (between 28-32 weeks), and at delivery

